19. A PYTHON'S MEAL



The above photo was taken by U Maung Gale, Divisional Forest Officer, Shwebo, on 20th August 1955; shortly after the Python had swallowed a small thamin in Kyaikthin Wild Life Sanctuary.

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## 20. DHAMAN OR RAT SNAKE (*PTYAS MUCOSUS*) DRINKING MILK

As it is often stated that no snakes drink milk, the following may be worth recording. This happened at Kheri in the U.P. during the monsoon in 1923:

The milk-drinking Dhaman used to come from the scrub jungle near the bungalow, where we would have waiting for it a saucer of milk near our chairs in front of the verandah. The scrub jungle was quite 20 yards away. Regularly in the evening we would place the